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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed January 22, 2007 (copy enclosed), Applicant as a large entity submits herewith the following:

- ☒ Payment of the surcharge of \$130 for late filing of the declaration.
- ☒ A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR §§ 1.63 and 1.497.

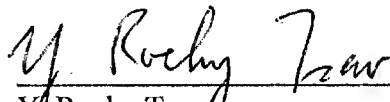
It is understood that this perfects the application and no additional papers or filing fees are required.

The surcharge fee in the amount of \$130 is being paid concurrently herewith on the Electronic Filing System (EFS) by way of Deposit Account authorization. Please apply all charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 13162-018US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/25/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/25/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/25/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/25/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/25/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/25/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 05/25/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 12/04/2006
- Specification filed on 05/25/2006
- Claims filed on 05/25/2006
- Drawings filed on 05/25/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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